Odessa Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Public Survey Results Summary

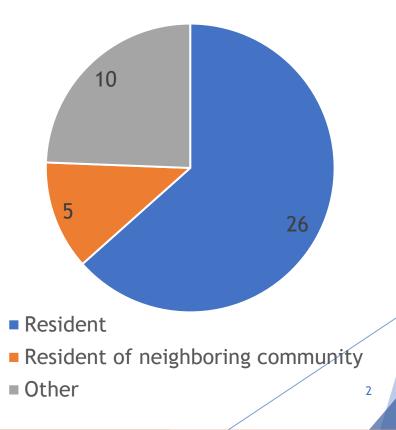
From the January/February 2023 public survey conducted for DelDOT's Odessa Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan process



Public Survey Results

- ► Number of completed surveys= 41
- ▶ What is your relationship to the town of Odessa?

| Response option | # of responses |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Resident | 26 |
| Resident of neighboring | |
| community | 5 |
| Other | 10 |





Public Survey Results - Locations for Ped Improvements

► What location(s), if any, in Odessa and its immediate surrounds do you think is/are most in need of <u>pedestrian</u> safety improvements?

| Location | # of mentions |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| West side of town | 3 |
| All of Main St | 1 |
| Causeway | 1 |
| US 13 | 1 |
| Main St at Memorial Park | 1 |
| 3rd St | 1 |
| 4th St | 1 |
| Total | 9 |

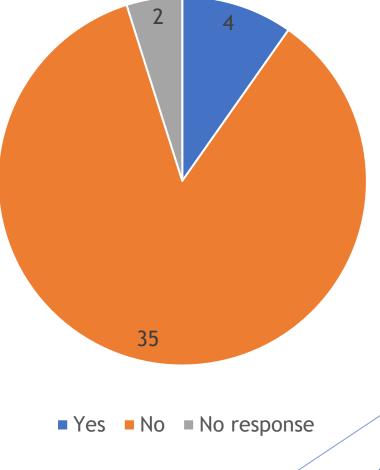


Public Survey Results

▶ Do you bike in Odessa?

| Response option | # of responses |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Yes | 4 |
| No | 35 |
| No response | 2 |

- Of the 35 people who responded "No":
 - 2 respondents said that they used to bike in Odessa
 - 4 respondents said that they do not bike in Odessa because it is too dangerous





Public Survey Results - Locations for Bike Improvements

What location(s), if any, in Odessa and its immediate surrounds do you think is/are most in need of <u>bicycle</u> safety improvements?

| Location | # of mentions |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Causeway | 4 |
| Entire town | 2 |
| All of Main St | 2 |
| 500 block of Main St | 1 |
| Through Memorial Park | 1 |
| US 13 | 1 |
| Main St at Memorial Park | 1 |
| 3rd St | 1 |
| 4th St | 1 |
| Total | 14 |



Public Survey Results- Concerns

- Concerns are derived from responses to all openended questions
 - ► A single completed survey may include more than one concern



Public Survey Results- Concerns

► Concerns mentioned in 2 or more completed surveys:

| Concern | # of surveys that mention concern |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Speeding | 8 |
| Traffic | 6 |
| Uneven sidewalks | 4 |
| Unsafe bicycling conditions | 4 |
| Poor pedestrian/bike connectivity | 3 |
| Dangerous to cross Main St at Post Office | 3 |
| Flooding | 2 |
| Neglect of areas outside of downtown | 2 |
| Vehicles driving wrong way on one-way side street | 2 |



Public Survey Results- Concerns

► Concerns mentioned in 1 completed survey:

Parking

Width of Main St because it encourages speeding

Backing out of head-in parking in front of Post Office

Kids getting on/off school bus on US 13

High speeds and traffic volumes on US 13 in town

Speed of eastbound vehicles coming around curve on SR 299 at west end of town

Reckless driving in general

Drivers using parking lanes for passing

Vehicles not yielding at Post Office crosswalk

Dangerous to cross Main St at Cantwell's Tavern

Dangerous to cross streets in general



Survey Results- Suggestions

- Suggestions are derived from responses to all openended questions
 - ► A single completed survey may include more than one suggestion
 - ▶ 10 surveys suggested that no changes be made
 - ► Shown in blue in table to follow
 - ▶ 6 surveys that suggested at least one change be made also suggested one change not be made
 - ► Latter suggestion type shown in purple in tables to follow



▶ Suggestions mentioned in 4 or more completed surveys

| Suggestion | # of surveys that make suggestion |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Sidewalk repair | 12 |
| No changes | 10 |
| Improve crosswalk at Post Office | 9 |
| Fill in sidewalk gaps | 6 |
| Improve crosswalk at Historic Odessa Foundation | 6 |
| Improve crosswalks at Main St/US 13 intersections | 6 |
| Better enforcement of traffic laws | 6 |
| Raised crosswalks | 5 |
| Brick and/or cobblestone crosswalks | 4 |
| Add/improve traffic signs | 4 |



Suggestions mentioned in 2 or 3 completed surveys:

| Suggestion | # of surveys that make suggestion |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Add crosswalk(s) on US 13 at street(s) other than Main St | 3 |
| Speed camera(s) | 3 |
| Speed bump(s) | 3 |
| Lower traffic speeds (method unspecified) | 3 |
| Additional crosswalk(s) at Main St/US 13 intersection(s) | 2 |
| Add crosswalk at Cantwell's Tavern | 2 |
| Build additional road over Appoquinimink Creek | 2 |
| SR 1 toll modifications | 2 |
| Landscaping | 2 |
| Radar speed sign(s) | 2 |
| Add bump-outs/curb extensions | 2 |
| Improve pedestrian safety (method unspecified) | 2 |



Suggestions mentioned in 1 completed survey, part 1 of 4:

Do not add bump-outs/curb extensions

Do not make any changes to Main St

Better marking of handicap accessible parking spaces on Main St

Do not add bike lanes on Main St in town

Add bike lanes on US 13 NB and SB

Add bike facility on Main St

Do not change width of Main St

Make traffic lanes and street narrower on US 13 and Main St at Memorial Park

Widen streets

Widen sidewalks



Suggestions mentioned in 1 completed survey, part 2 of 4:

Close causeway

Make causeway one-way

Raise causeway

Add bike facility across causeway

Improve pedestrian safety

Improve wheelchair accessibility

Flashing lights at crosswalks on Main St

Replace head-in parking in front of Post Office with alternative type of parking

Add stop sign or light at Post Office crosswalk

Add crosswalk at Main St/Front St intersection



Suggestions mentioned in 1 completed survey, part 3 of 4:

Textured crosswalks (material unspecified)

Improve street lighting

Medians

"Town of Odessa" signs

"Share the Road" signs

More street trees

Improve pavement markings

Do not add parking stall pavement markings

Convert shoulders on US 13 and on Main St at Memorial Park to on-street parking with stall markings



Suggestions mentioned in 1 completed survey, part 4 of 4

Widen Mechanic St to allow bus to turn onto it

Improve signs to prevent people from driving wrong way on one-way block of Mechanic St

Make 2nd St one-way northbound

Comprehensive transportation plan

Driver education

Reduce traffic on Main St

